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NPIC/PEG (11/82)HARB-A  
JINGMEN SEAPLANE STATION, CHINA

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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: A FOURTH HARB-A ANTISUBMARINE WARFARE SEAPLANE IS IDENTIFIED.
2. (SWN) REMARKS: A FOURTH HARB-A ANTISUBMARINE WARFARE (ASW) SEAPLANE IS IDENTIFIED AT JINGMEN SEAPLANE STATION. ONE HARB-A WITHOUT ENGINES IS IN TOW IN FRONT OF THE HANGAR, AND THREE HARB-A ARE ON THE MAIN PARKING RAMP. THE OBSERVATION OF A FOURTH HARB-A INDICATES A CONTINUING INTEREST BY THE CHINESE IN THE INDIGENOUS PRODUCTION OF A LONG-RANGE ASW AMPHIBIAN.

(SWN) THE HARB-A WAS FIRST IDENTIFIED IN JUNE 1974 AT HARBIN AIRFRAME PLANT PING-FANG 122 [REDACTED] THE SECOND AND THIRD HARB-A WERE OBSERVED AT JINGMEN [REDACTED] [REDACTED] RESPECTIVELY. THE FIRST TWO HARB-A WERE SEEN AT HARBIN AIRFRAME BEFORE APPEARING AT JINGMEN; HOWEVER, THE THIRD AND FOURTH WERE NOT.

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(SWN) JINGMEN SEAPLANE STATION IS A SEAPLANE TEST FACILITY IN THE WUHAN MILITARY REGION.

3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 30-59-08N 112-03-51E

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